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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. 1996-216528

discloses a heat-sensitive recording material which makes use

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